

## SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Clarke and their small son, Leland Clarke Jr., of Grand Rapids, Mich., will motor to Virginia the middle of this month. They will be the guests of Mrs. Clarke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Peyton, at "Eubank," in Fauquier County, for some time, and will later in the month motor to Richmond. Here they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Peyton, Jr., at 1617 Park Avenue, for a short time.

Miss Lucella Peyton, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clarke in Grand Rapids, for the past several months, has returned to Virginia.

Mrs. William L. Royall and her daughter, Miss Emily Rutherford Royall, who have been visiting Mrs. William Roane Aylett at her home in Newport News, returned to Richmond Thursday. Mrs. Royall and her daughter have been in the North all winter and spent the spring in Baltimore and Trenton, N. J.

Miss Anne Royall is now visiting Miss Lullie Antin at her home near the University of Virginia, before joining her mother in Richmond.

**Tennis Tournament.**  
The tennis tournament at the Country Club of Virginia this week is attracting the attention of smart society just at present. Campstools and temporary bleachers will be arranged on the sides of the tennis courts, and many people will motor with guests out from Richmond. Some of the younger girls taking part in the tournament are Misses Thoreson, Nurney, of Suffolk; Grace Mencham, of New York; Miss Virginia Whiteley, Miss Barbara Trigg, Miss Lena Miller, Miss Mary Boyd, Miss Pauline Powers, Miss Emma White, Miss Mary Scarborough, Miss Elsie Parrish, Miss Anne Traylor, Miss Nora Randolph, Miss Martha Robinson, Miss Elsie Lindsey, Miss Katherine Lancaster, Miss Nell Potts, Miss

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## SHOWS WHAT HIS OFFICE REQUIRES

City Engineer Submits Schedule of Department Needs to Carry on Work.

City Engineer Charles E. Bolling presented to the Administrative Board yesterday a schedule of the additional force needed in his office for the proper discharge of the duties of the Engineer's department. As additions to the permanent force, he asks for an assessor of damages at \$1,200, one assistant engineer at \$1,500, and one expert draughtsman, designer and computer at \$2,000. As a temporary force to meet present pressure and bring the work of the department thoroughly up to date, Mr. Bolling asks for one transitman at \$150 per month, one levelman at \$125 per month, two rodmen at \$50 per month each, three axmen at \$50 per month each, three axmen at \$50 per month each, and one title clerk at \$100.

This corps of engineers and surveyors, he estimates, will be needed probably for the next twelve months, but will be employed on the understanding that it can be dispensed with at any time when, in the opinion of the City Engineer, its services are no longer necessary. For the use of the survey corps instruments to cost \$550 will be required. On motion of Captain McCarthy, the letter of the City Engineer was transmitted to the City Council with the request for an immediate appropriation to enable it to install the force asked for.

The board granted the application of James S. Moore for permission to place an inclined runway on the sidewalk in front of 1207 East Cary Street, to be removed after daily business hours.

The complaint of the City School Board of odor and smoke arising from the burning of garbage at the City Crematorium was referred to the Superintendent of the Street Cleaning Department, reported the appointment of C. Bardoni, A. J. Bryant, W. J. Hall and A. Franco to vacancies on the street cleaning force, which was approved.

**For Flood Sufferers.**  
The Times-Dispatch received \$5 yesterday from Mrs. J. C. Mayfield for the Ohio flood sufferers.

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**FORM STOCK COMPANY TO DISPOSE OF LAND**

Princess Louise, Duke of Ursel and Others in Exploitation Scheme.

BY LA MARQUESE DE FONTENAY.  
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